

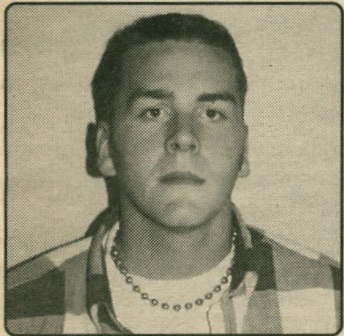
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Class of 2002 elects this year's representatives



Keith Markey, President



Keri Blair, Vice President

By Julie Ann Nevero
Editor-in-Chief

Student Government officers for the Class of 2002 were determined following last Thursday night's elections.

Keith Markey was sworn in as president last Friday at the student government executive board meeting.

The other elected officers, Vice President Keri Blair, Secretary Michelle Barretta, Treasurer Victor Postemski, and Senators Erin Zych and Dawn Ambrose, will be sworn in at their first organizational meeting.

Student Government President Tom McCabe who, along with the executive board was in charge of the campaign committee, said he was pleased with the results of the elections and feels that the right people were chosen

for the jobs.

"I think they are going to work really well together," said McCabe. "All of the candidates had a lot of experience and the ones that were chosen seem like they want to work hard."

All of the new officers are enthusiastic about their positions and say they will work hard to accomplish their goals.

Markey mentioned in his campaign statement that he would like to organize class retreats to help unify his class. He was unavailable for direct comment.

"I want to work on getting things on campus further along," said Blair. "I want to work with the people on the board to get what the student body wants."

Blair also said she wants to work on making not only Sacred Heart a better place but its surrounding community as well.

"At the beginning of the

school year I was involved in Community Connections," she said. "I feel I have a strong idea of the area that surrounds SHU and of what is needed and who needs it."

"First of all, I want raise funds so we can run a lot of different activities," said Postemski. "Not just fundraising activities for our class, but activities that will benefit the entire Sacred Heart community."

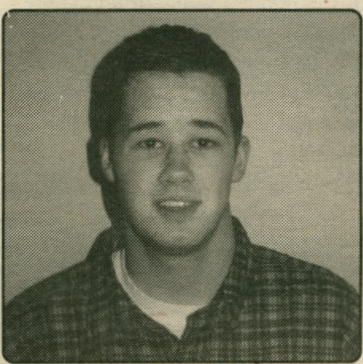
Barretta stressed the importance of togetherness and working as a team.

"I want to help everyone in our class feel more at home because we're all going through it together," she said. "We want to work not only for our class but for others too."

MCCabe said that two senate seats are still available and interested students should pick up applications at the Student Government office at Hawley Lounge.



Michelle Barretta,
Secretary



Victor Postemski,
Treasurer

Comp USA takes over service of SHU Help Desk

By Brian Corasaniti
News Editor

After concerns of quality last year, Comp USA has taken over Sacred Heart's Help Desk. Concerns had included length of servicing time and the ability of last year's staff to properly service laptops.

The Help Desk, which services all laptops purchased

through the University, is now staffed by Comp USA technicians. They are employed by Comp USA, not Sacred Heart, but work at the Help Desk servicing SHU students' laptops. Comp USA is the computer retailer through whom Sacred Heart purchases their laptops.

The plan to revamp the Help Desk goes back to last year, when the issue was brought up by former Chief Information Officer for Sacred Heart, Vincent Magiacapra.

According to George Krystchenko, interim chief information officer, SHU took steps to "clean house" at the Help Desk.

Krystchenko wants the Help Desk to more effectively and quickly service the students' computers. "In another month, we'll be in good shape," he said.

Besides adding new personnel, a Help Line has also been set up for SHU students to call to help with any problems that may oc-

cur. The number, 1-877-774-8435, is designed to help students having temporary difficulty with their laptops.

One difficulty with this year's laptops was the influx of freshmen who didn't have their Internet and network accounts set up.

"Rumor had it that students didn't know that we're open year round. We got bumrushed with people who didn't know we had been open," said George McGann,

service center manager for Comp USA.

Now that things have settled down, McGann said the Help Desk is mostly, "working on daily problems." "The time the Help Desk needs to work on a laptop has also decreased," said McGann.

"We're committing to a turnaround in five days. If it requires

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Sacred Heart students buying Fake IDs Lack of events and strict alcohol policy reason, say students

By Coleen McDermott
Contributing Writer

The rash of underage students purchasing fake IDs for the purpose of buying alcohol continues to be an issue on the Sacred Heart University campus.

Because of their wish for anonymity, the SHU students interviewed for this article (except Mike Dutton) will have fictitious names, for their own protection.

"I can make the old Connecticut licenses with a hologram, which you can get from any party store. Depending on who it is, I charge anywhere from \$20 to \$50," said Rick Deckard.

"I don't have an ID, but I wish I did, because there's nothing to do here. For a good ID, I'd be willing to pay \$100," said Amy Richards.

Natalie Rourke uses a fake ID she purchased from home for \$13.

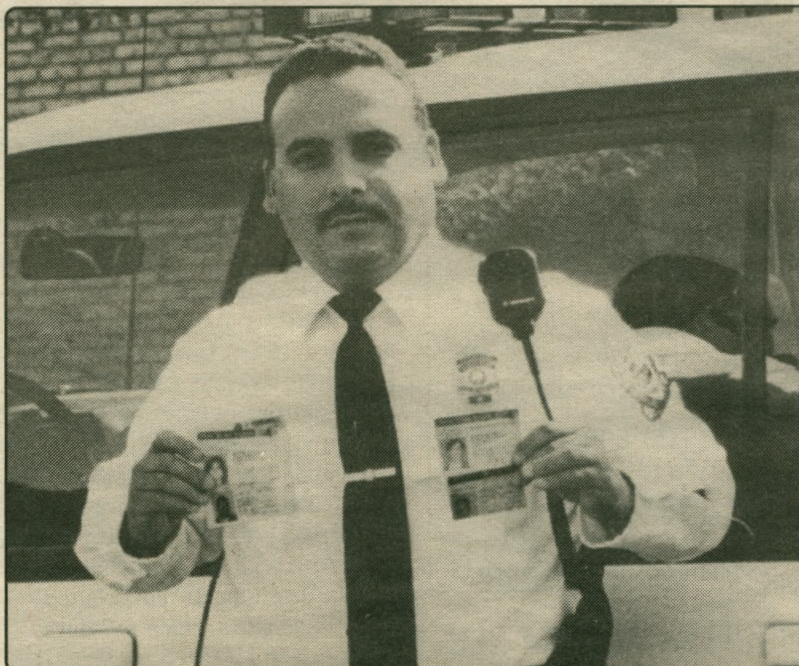


Photo by Kerrie Darress

Public Safety Supervisor Jack Fernandez poises with four Fake IDs confiscated from Sacred Heart University students.

"I know it's not a good ID, but the supermarkets and package stores don't care as long as they get paid," she said.

Dutton, president of the Student Events Team, disagrees with the notion that there are no events for students to participate in on

campus.

"As far as people saying there is nothing to do on campus, we send out surveys to find out what the students want and we plan them," said Dutton. "It's sad that people have to have alcohol to have a good time."

Many students seem to have to have a similar outlook that there is nothing else for them to do.

"I have an ID so I can go out, because this campus is so strict. You'll get written up," said Alex Kubrick.

Others feel that having a good time in the dorms is difficult, because of the rules concerning alcohol. "I think the fear of getting written up makes it worth while to pay for a fake ID," said Linda Amos.

Students caught with a fake ID's will be penalized, according to William O'Connell, director of Public Safety.

"If a student is caught, the alcohol will be dumped and IDs are taken away," he said.

NEWS BRIEFS

Senior pictures to be taken Oct. 14 to Oct. 17

Senior Pictures will be taken from Oct. 14 to Oct. 17 in the Prologue office.

Appointments must be made by calling Thornton Studios at 1-800-883-9449 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sittings will be taken by phone appointment only.

There will be a \$10 sitting fee at the time of the photo.

Pirates wanted for Halloween event in Oct. 30

Indian Ledge Park in Trumbull is looking for Pirates to act in a Halloween Extravaganza being held on Oct. 30.

Around 3,000 to 5,000 children from the Trumbull area will walk through the Pirate-themed Haunted House built and displayed by the Trumbull residents. SHU is sponsoring a kiddie maze for the toddler tent and an "entertainment walkway" for people standing in line.

In order for Sacred Heart to compete in the skit portion of the event, they need people to act as Pirates and Wenches to entertain.

Participation will count as community service for CCO and any particular groups interested can advertise their banner or solicit upcoming events.

The Greek Council, Avalon Hall Council, Avalon Res. Life and South Hall Res. Life are currently sponsoring the event.

For more information, call Jeanine at 371-1432.

Catechetical Colloquium launched by REAPS

Sacred Heart University's Institute for Religious Education and Pastoral Services has inaugurated a Catechetical Colloquium.

Founding members, who first met on Sept. 8, included diocesan officials, parish practitioners and experts from Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island. Gerard Baumbach, a leading authority on catechetics and publisher, was the speaker.

The colloquium's goal is to study how best to pass on the heritage of the Catholic faith, said the Rev. Msgr. Gregory M. Smith, REAPS founder and director.

"Our concern is that those committed to catechetics assure that future generations 'fall in love' with the doctrines, devotion and culture of the Catholic tradition and recognize the opportunity at hand to spearhead such a renaissance," said Smith.

The colloquium will provide a forum for regular members and occasional guests in the study of catechetical theory and practice. The gathering will engage in dialogue on how the Gospel message and the Church's teachings might be heard in a reluctant world.

The next of the three colloquiums for 1998-99 is scheduled for Jan. 19 and will feature Joseph Sinwell, author and lecturer in religious education.

For more information, call 371-7867.

Correction in last week's old gym story

Last week, the Spectrum incorrectly identified an author of the story entitled, "Old gym to become lounge area for students." Amy Finkle and Danielle Dename co-wrote the story.

-Compiled by Brian Corasaniti

Help Desk: New technicians

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parts, five to seven days," he said.

Many students say they are satisfied with the change in the Help Desk.

"It will help the students more, because there are professionals working there," said George Hardman, a junior from New Milford. "It's something new, we're still ironing out the bugs," said McGann.

Sexual harassment discussed Nadeau, McLernon and others express concerns about student body's behavior

By Aristide Kabore
Contributing Writer

Sexual harassment on-campus continues to be a problem affecting the student body.

"Sexual harassment involves many things, including requests for sexual favors, sexual gestures such as sucking noises, touching or name calling," said Sister Anne-Louise Nadeau, director of Pastoral Counseling.

"I am concerned about guys touching girls as a way of saying, 'hi.' Sometimes it just goes too far," said Lauren Destefano, a senior from Shelton.

Some feel name calling is often taken to the extreme and most remarks are very blunt and offensive to women. "The names 'bitch,' 'whore,' and 'slut,' which women are often called are degrading and show a lack of character on the part of the male," said

Norma Barone, a junior from Milton, Mass.

Many feel that some men view such remarks as jokes and passive comments.

They say that some women laugh the remarks off because they think name calling is a joke or they are threatened by it.

This behavior towards sexual remarks may put them at risk later, according to Father Michael McLernon, director of Pastoral Ministry.

"If a person talks to you violently, they will react to you violently. Demeaning language is violent language," said McLernon.

"Most people think that it is often just the women who get harassed, but that is not the case. Some men do get harassed, but it is much less than the number of women who get harassed," said Nadeau.

Nadeau added that women

should understand that being harassed is not their fault. "For this reason, support groups have begun programs to council abused and molested victims."

Nadeau said a person who is harassed or raped should tell someone they trust, like a friend, teacher or counselor.

"A solution to this problem would be to tell the people making the comments not to talk to you in that manner regardless of how embarrassing that may be," said McLernon.

Nadeau also said that inappropriate behavior patterns in high school can sometimes lead to trouble once a student reaches college.

"The people most likely to be guilty of sexual harassment are usually freshmen, because they got away with it in high school, and they figured that college couldn't be that much different," she said.

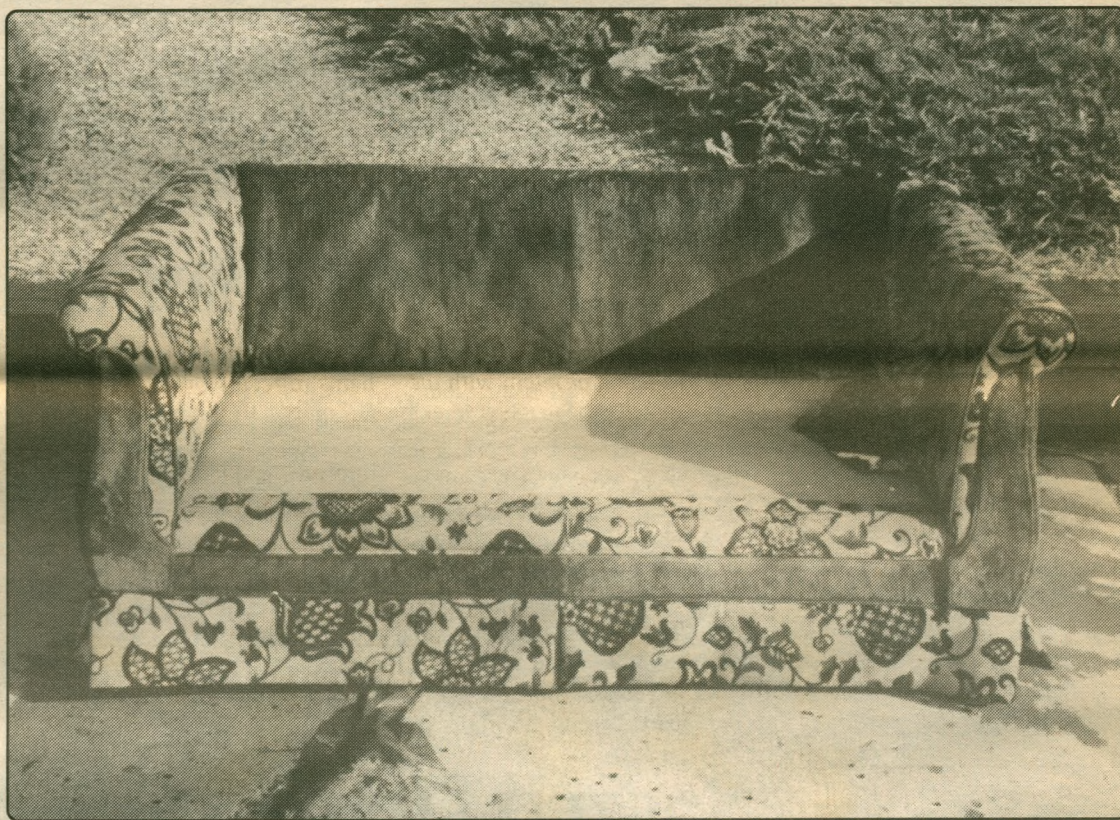


Photo courtesy of Public Safety

This couch had to be removed from a Taft Commons apartment due to a fire that started on the couch.

Couch catches fire at Taft Commons

By Kelly-Ann Franklin
Contributing Writer

A couch caught fire in an apartment at Taft Commons on Sept. 11. The incident was first reported in the Sept. 17 issue of the Spectrum.

Public Safety reported that a Taft Resident Assistant phoned them at 4:31 a.m. to report a couch fire in an apartment which was being put out by students using fire extinguishers.

Public Safety called 911 and dispatched officers to respond. The Bridgeport Fire Department responded with an engine and the fire was determined to have started by a lit cigarette which fell onto the couch and was left for an undetermined amount of time before being observed.

"The report is almost completely false," said Lauren Sabonjian, a resident of the apartment. Sabonjian added that neither of the two smoke detectors

went off and the first three fire extinguishers the students tried did not work.

According to Sabonjian, a call was first placed by a student to Public Safety and was told by the operator that Public Safety does not call the fire department. Taft RA Gabe Goodine then called and officers were dispatched.

William O'Connell, director of Public Safety said he has no record of the calls, but added that a Public Safety Officer would not say that to a caller.

"The first call we got, he asked questions about using a fire extinguisher on a couch that had caught fire," said O'Connell. "The indication was given that it had already been put out by the students."

O'Connell said that when the call came in, the Bridgeport Fire Department was called and officers were dispatched to the apartment to check it out.

The fire department had arrived before Public Safety and

O'Connell said that the fire had been put out and they were dealing with the smoke in the apartment. The cause of the fire was determined by the fire department to have been a lit cigarette that fell on the couch.

Sabonjian said that the fire was coming from underneath the couch and that no cigarette was found in the area.

"I'm speculating that since everyone in the room is a smoker... that it was the careless disposal of a cigarette," said O'Connell.

O'Connell added that the fire alarm company that provides alarms for Taft came the following day to test the fire alarms, and no problem has currently been reported.

Dean of Students Larry Wielk said that it is a combination on the part of both Buildings and Grounds and also Public Safety to check safety equipment.

"We don't blame the school, the safety equipment is checked regularly," said Sabonjian.

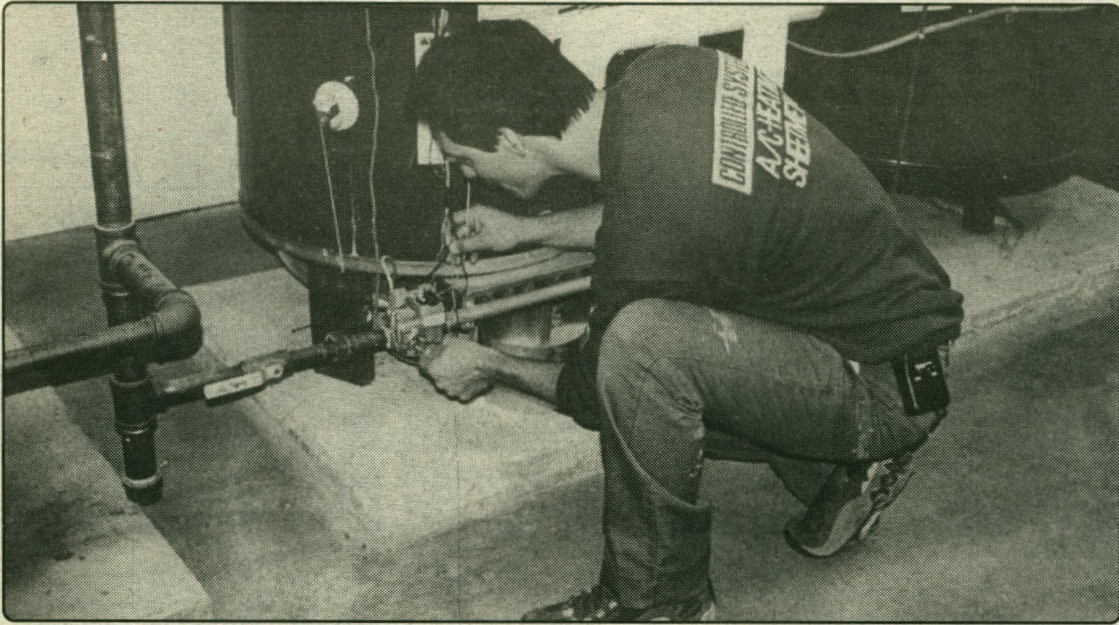


Photo by Kerrie Darress

Maintenance worker Mike Boyles works on a malfunctioning furnace at Jefferson Hill building three.

Maintenance problems persist

By Frances Moore
Contributing Writer

Sacred Heart University's Buildings and Grounds Department is currently looking for additional staff.

The department employs 21 people to work at South Hall, West Hall, Jefferson Hill and Taft Commons. Five deal with general maintenance such as carpentry, painting and electricity. An additional five are office workers, and the remaining 11 are the cleaning staff.

The University is in the process of hiring eight more full-time cleaners, according to Carol Haines, manager of campus maintenance.

"It will help to have additional crew," said Haines. "With the increasing number of residents, our staff should increase as well."

Despite being understaffed, Haines feels that the current situation is under control.

"We have an improved work

order service, and based on the current University requirements, we're fine," she said.

The policy right now is to respond to requests according to priority and the order in which they were placed, with a promise of responding by eight weeks at the most.

"Life, health and safety of the residents is our primary concern. Second is maintaining the buildings," said Haines.

"We could use more help. More people will make a difference," said Leon Pettway, assistant supervisor for Buildings and Grounds.

Some students at the University feel that maintenance does not respond as quickly as it should.

"We had a problem with the water heater for the first few weeks of school. Our showers were freezing, and we couldn't wash our dishes. It shouldn't take that long to fix problems of that nature," said Michelle Majeski, a junior from Westfield, Mass.

"Things have definitely im-

proved this year, but responses from maintenance are still slow," said Corrie Smith, a sophomore from Rockingham, Vt.

"I think the biggest problem is that new students don't understand the process," said Haines. "We are trying to establish procedures to get more accomplished."

Haines said that the most efficient way to handle maintenance problems is for students to first report the problem to a member of the Residence Life and Housing Services staff. After they have done that, students may e-mail the maintenance staff or to stop by their office anytime from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A monthly newsletter was recently organized by Larry Williams, director of Buildings and Grounds. In it, he said maintenance will try to keep residents informed and to satisfy any questions they might have through the newsletter.

"We are trying to be patient, but something needs to be done soon," said Majeski.



Photo by Kerrie Darress

Some students get on the shuttle which is running at full capacity after staff shortages earlier this year.

Shuttle service hires more drivers

By Christina Vargo
Contributing Writer

The Sacred Heart University shuttle service had been dealing with problems due to unexpected staff shortages earlier this semester. The problem was recently rectified with the hiring of a full staff of drivers.

The driving staff came up short within the first week of the fall semester when one driver resigned, and another took a leave of absence.

The service was forced to combine the Avalon Gates route with the Service route. Because

of the lack of drivers, not enough vans traveled from location to location.

The shuttle system consists of three vans and a staff of 15 drivers, who all work part time. The three separate routes are shared by the staff.

In order for any driver to operate a van, they must have a CDL or Service Drivers License, and also a clean driving record.

"It's always an inconvenience, it takes 45 minutes to an hour to get home from the mall," said Jazmin Parra, a junior from Franklin Park, N.Y.

"When we have a shortage of drivers, we have to combine the

two closest shuttle routes, which are Avalon and the Service shuttle," said Mike Moylan, operations assistant in the Student Union.

The combining of the two routes caused some problems for the students on campus and at Avalon. Many have complained that the extra time it takes the route is causing scheduling conflicts.

"If rectifying the situation means combining two routes, than no, that is not a solution. There has to be a way to get the shuttle to Avalon every half hour instead of every hour," said Kathy Hippeli, a senior from Milford.

PUBLIC SAFETY RELEASES

Public Safety Releases from Sept. 20 - Sept. 26

Sept. 27: 1:50 a.m.- Report of a South Hall resident being harassed; officers responded and separated students

2:09 a.m.- Report of an argument between students in South Hall; officers responded. Res. Life staff handled the situation.

3:38 a.m.- South Hall resident reported to be ill. Officer responded, evaluated their condition, and requested 911 be called. Police, fire and ambulance responded; student transported via ambulance to the hospital.

3:35 p.m.- South Hall resident reported a male was at their door and would not leave; male was gone upon the arrival of Public Safety. At 4 p.m., the male (student) was located and informed to stay away from the complainant.

Sept. 28: 1:53 a.m.- Taft student reported receiving harassing phone calls; Public Safety investigating.

9:40 a.m.- Faculty member reported property stolen from an office in the Science Center.

7:04 p.m.- Academic Bldg. fire alarm received; smoke detector activated, no cause found.

7:25 p.m.- West Hall fire alarm received; smoke detector activated, no cause found.

Sept. 29: 12:53 p.m.- Faculty member reported the theft of their wallet from their office in the Science Center.

Sept. 30: 8:37 a.m.- Employee reported receiving harassing phone calls; Public Safety investigating.

12:36 p.m.- Avalon Gate student reported receiving an injury while running for a fundraiser for the swim team off campus; they were treated at Health Services.

2:50 p.m.- Faculty member reported that while using the athletic facilities, items were stolen from his unlocked locker in the Pitt Center.

3:26 p.m.- Faculty member reported six scientific calculators were stolen from their office in the Science Center.

9:23 p.m.- West Hall fire alarm received; cause was a detector accidentally hit.

Oct. 1: 10:59 a.m.- Res. Life staff reported a male was harassing students in front of South Hall. Officers responded and approached the male, who refused to identify himself. He was asked to leave campus and refused. The male, with Officers accompanying him, walked into the Academic Bldg. continuing to harass students; Fairfield Police were called to respond. When the police arrived, the male, now in the dining hall, continued to refuse to identify himself and refused to leave campus. The Fairfield Police Officer informed him he was under arrest, at which time the male struggled with the Police Officer and several Public Safety officers; the male was restrained and handcuffed. The male refused to walk to the police cruiser; with an officer holding him by each arm, he was dragged from the dining hall out to the cruiser. He continued to refuse to get up; he was picked up by four officers and placed in the rear of the cruiser. Fairfield Police subsequently informed Public Safety that this male had 10 previous arrests for similar crimes in other cities.

7:50 p.m.- Jefferson Hill student reported being followed from the library by a male, who grabbed her as she walked through the Academic Quad; she pulled away from him and ran away. Fairfield Police responded; a search of the area was unsuccessful.

Oct. 2: 3:35 a.m.- Fire alarm received for the Academic Bldg.; no problem found.

9:01 a.m.- Staff member reported a room in the Academic Bldg. had been entered; unknown if anything was stolen.

11:05 a.m.- West Hall fire alarm received; no problem found.

1:46 p.m.- Faculty member reported the theft of a laptop computer from an office in the Humanities Center.

2:45 p.m.- Staff member reported a bus ran over and damaged 4 bushes by the mailroom.

3:24 p.m.- West Hall resident reported that while they left their room unlocked and unattended to go to the bathroom, someone stole cash from their room.

3:45 p.m.- South Hall resident alleged another resident assaulted her; under investigation.

6:13 p.m.- West Hall fire alarm received; smoke detector violated, unknown cause.

Oct. 3: 3:23 a.m.- Res. Life and Public Safety confiscated drug paraphernalia from J. Hill.

10:35 a.m.- Minor motor vehicle accident reported involving an Athletic Van off campus.

8:10 p.m.- Officer confiscated alcohol from non-students in the South Lot.

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EDITORIALS

Combined shuttle route upsetting students

Due to lack of drivers at the beginning of the semester, the service and Avalon Gates shuttle routes have been combined, inconveniencing many students in the process.

One of the biggest problems with the lack of drivers is that students are often unaware of the combination until they actually step onto the shuttle. As a result, many students have been late for classes or other on-campus activities.

We have been told that the problem has been reconciled and they now have a full staff of drivers and the two routes will only be combined when they are short a driver.

How can they be at full staff and not have someone to cover a shift someone's absence? Can't they hire someone part-time for this purpose? They used to have students driving the shuttles as a work study position. Can't they do that now? There must be some student on-campus who would be willing to drive a shuttle for a couple of hours a day on an as needed basis.

It sounds like the problem will remain unsolved until they find a driver who can do this.

Sexual harassment is an issue not to ignore

Although this year's Public Safety Fall Brochure does not indicate it, sexual harassment is an issue that women and men at Sacred Heart have to deal with on a regular basis.

Even though sexual harassment can be blown out of proportion at times, it doesn't diminish the fact that there are victims on this campus and beyond who suffer legitimate verbal and physical assaults.

We don't live in the stone age anymore; wives aren't being clubbed over the head and dragged to their husband's caves. A civilized society has the common sense to treat their members with dignity and respect. That goes for both men and women.

If the students of Sacred Heart want to be treated as the adults they are, then petty name calling and demeaning each other is no way to accomplish that goal. We should and must learn to respect each other, or we won't succeed in the real world which college is preparing us for.

Due to the Columbus Day holiday, there will be no issue of the Spectrum next week. The next issue will be available on Oct. 22.

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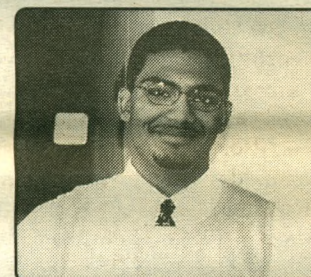


The SHU Voices



Meghan McGovren
Sophomore
Warwick, N.Y.

"Yes. They are not reliable at all and I have missed a few."



William Diaz
Senior
Queens, N.Y.

"I have had no problems with the shuttles, they are always on time."

The Rev. concerned with student's use of violent language

As I walk around campus and listen to people talk to one another, and about one another, the level of language used in doing this disturbs me tremendously. The level of language we use around here in describing one another or in talking to one another is unbelievably violent.



By Rev. Michael McLernon

I say this to groups of students, and they get that look on their faces—"Oh God, there goes the old man... He doesn't know what the 'f' word really means, and it doesn't mean anything to us." It's like "peanut butter" to you.

The fact that students can tell me that the words don't have

any meaning is even more disturbing than if they said they do have meaning and they're going to say them anyway because they just want to get you upset.

These words are violent. Those are violent ways to talk about one another.

The kind of sexuality they betray is an assaulting kind of sexuality. It's not a respectful kind of sexuality. It's not a loving kind of sexuality, and I know that from my background and training in psychology that this is true.

I can sit in my office— and I can tell you one of the key times is between 4 and 7 p.m.— and the door to my office is open and people are coming out of supper, and for whatever reason they are very relaxed and they are talking about one another and they are talking about their relationships.

You'd be amazed what people talk about in the halls— and they are talking about who put what,

where and when, and why and under what circumstances and with what group of people last Thursday night, but they do it with such violence. I mean they talk to one another in such violent ways.

Now why does that bother me?

First, basically, I'm against violence. I don't think it is a very good way to deal with one another.

I think it's a terrible way to solve human problems.

What violence does is beget violence. So if someone walks up to you in the hall and calls you out, and your tendency is to smile and say, "I know you don't really mean that, and that word means nothing to you." You say, "What do you mean I'm a —. You're a —."

So we escalate. We do that when we are playing, supposedly. If we do that when we're relaxed, then what are we going to do when we are stressed?

If we deal with one another verbally and violently when we are in a relaxed situation, how are we going to deal with one another when we are in a stressed situation? Violently.

And if the content of our language with one another is one of sexual disrespect and exploitation, when you're in a stressful situation in a relationship between a male and a female, how are you going to deal with that? You are going to deal with it disrespectfully.

The society does that. And I realize that we are reflecting the society, but as a university founded on intellectual and religious-spiritual principles ought we not to be looking at our behavior differently, and saying, "Hey, maybe we should be doing something differently."

The above was part of a discussion with a journalism course.

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The editorial pages are an open forum. Letters to the editor are encouraged. All submissions are subject to editing for spelling, punctuation, grammar, clarity and length. The Spectrum does not assume copyright for any published material. All submissions are reviewed by the Editorial Board.

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IT TAKES TIME FOR SOME TO ADJUST

Letter to the Editor:

The moment I left the security of my driveway on Sept. 5, I knew my life was going to change. The car ride was quiet. I couldn't move my mouth because my mind was racing with all the new experiences and decisions I knew I would be facing. Was I really ready for this? Would I survive here? What if I let everyone at home down? All of these doubts haunted me. I already had decided my fate without even setting foot on campus.

We pulled up to the main entrance and were immediately greeted with smiles. How could everyone be smiling when my life was ending? Slowly we moved boxes into my room. It was cold, so empty and so not home. I listened to the speaker tell me the responsibilities we faced now as college students, now as adults. I didn't want to be an adult. I wanted to be the girl who played in her backyard.

Suddenly, something strange happened. I could feel myself starting to smile. Could it be that I had jumped to conclusions? Was I actually having fun? Yes. I had finally found my place. Now, I can't even imagine not being here. Here at my new home.

Gail E. Sinner
First-year student

STILL HAPPY DESPITE RECENT PROBLEMS

Letter to the Editor:

I am happy at Sacred Heart, however I feel that some things can be run more efficiently. It all started when I moved in on the first day and found out that I would have three roommates instead of two.

The room, of course, was made for only three people. We were packed in and even Residential Life said that our room was ridiculous. We had to send half of our belongings home.

The room situation is under control now, but the phones are another story. Every time you pick up the phone to make a call, there is a busy signal. Also, the data jacks in my dorm room and the library do not work. They tell us that it is going to be fixed soon, but we have been hearing this for two weeks.

Also, the shuttle service is very unreliable. The shuttles are supposed to pick you up at ten and forty minutes past the hour. On several occasions, my friends and I have waited an hour for a shuttle pick us up.

FLIK also needs some help. The workers in the cafeteria are working as hard as they can, but there is always a wait for food. The lines are outrageous at times.

Sacred Heart accepted far too many applicants and hopefully they will learn from our current situation. As for now, I feel that they should concentrate on the students. They need to take time to work on overcoming the problems happening now by organizing the shuttle and FLIK programs.

Allison McLaughlin
First-year student

COMPUTER LAB HOURS MUST BE POSTED

Letter to the Editor:

On Thursday, Sept. 24, my friend and I needed to print out a paper. Since neither of us had a printer, we had to walk over to the computer lab.

As we walked by, it looked rather dark, but we tried to open the door anyway. It was locked. But on the door, about six inches above the lock, was a sign that read open 24 hours. Now, the last time I checked, 8 p.m. was not the 25th hour of the day.

We became a little upset, but thought that maybe we needed to ask Public Safety to open the door after a certain time, so we walked over to ask.

We waited at the window for a few minutes before we were answered. The security guard, who wasn't too friendly, asserted that he was not going to open the door for us. So now, we had no place to type our papers.

I have no problem with the computer lab closing, but I really think they need to remove the 24 hour sign and replace it with a sign stating its correct hours of operation.

Kerry Flaherty
First-year student

SHU MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE

Letter to the Editor:

Although things started out rocky, Sacred Heart has lived up to my expectations. Some things have not exactly gone my way, such as the phone lines or data jacks. Things dealing with electronics have been frustrating.

These problems are minor to me, however. The education offered here is what sold me. I came here to learn and become a better person. Over the past three weeks that goal is beginning to be fulfilled.

The surrounding atmosphere and people made the problems with electronics bearable. Overall, I sincerely have no regrets choosing this school as part of my life. Everyday I meet at least one person that makes everything that much better. I came here with a dream to be happy and to belong and the people of SHU are making that come true.

Linda Cleet
First-year student

STUDENTS
SHOULDN'T BE
FORCED TO GET
INVOLVED

Letter to the Editor:

I am satisfied with Sacred Heart in general. It has met my expectations. My schedule is well balanced, giving me enough time in between classes to study or prepare for the next class. I like all my classes and professors.

I do, however, have a small complaint. I feel the Freshman Seminar class is unnecessary. The requirements add necessary pressure on us. I feel if you want to join clubs or engage in social activities it should be your choice. I think it takes time adjusting and rushing us to get involved overwhelms us, not to mention monopolizes precious study time.

I plan on attending dances, football games and I joined the ACS, but I think we should have the free will and choose what is right for us. It's unfair worrying about failing the class because we don't have the time to accomplish all the requirements.

I feel the school provides a solid foundation for a promising future. I also feel it provides a wide variety of social events and extracurricular activities such as the international coffeehouse series to which will broaden our horizons and further enrich our education.

S. Falsetti
First-year student

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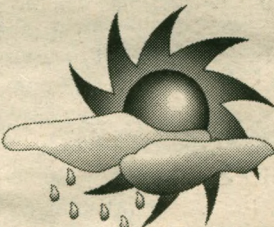
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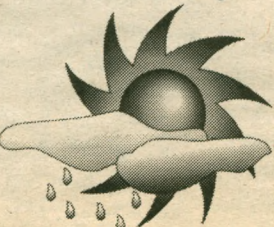
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FEATURES

Residential life gives positive support at SHU

By Chris McManus
Contributing Writer

Residential Life is working hard to create harmony between roommates throughout the year.

With more residents attending the University, housing has become a big issue.

"People aren't used to living with other people," said Shaena Doherty, a West Hall residential assistant. "It's hard for them to adjust."

The Residential Life staff has come up with a contract that roommates fill out and sign so everyone knows what is expected from them in the beginning.

"This contract is designed to get students to write down what they expect from others and to set rules within the room or the apartment," said Cathy Raynis, Director of Residential Life and Housing Services.

The contract looks at important issues that may possibly destroy roommate relationships, if left un-addressed.

The first issue is cleaning standards. Whether it is acceptable for clothes to be on the floor, how often laundry should be washed, and the making of beds, the maintenance of the trash, should be discussed when roommates discuss cleaning standards.

The phone is another important issue. The times that friends are permitted to call, and whether roommates answer each other's lines should be clearly defined.

"There is a need for the give and take concept between roommates," said Raynis.

"They need to listen to each other, talk to each other in a compassionate way, and be flexible with one another," she added.

The use of personal possessions is a common conflict between roommates. Borrowing possessions without verbal consent may be a common cause of roommate brawls.

"It's the littlest things that people blow out of proportion," said Joe Cox, a West Hall Residential Assistant.

"Residential assistants are trained in active listening skills, referral skills, and mediating conflict,"

Cathy Raynis

Another potential roommate conflict deals with study time and habits.

Roommates should allot times for studying so they will not be disturbed, or disturb their roommate during his or her study time.

"Roommates have different lifestyles, some like to go out all the time, others like to focus on school, and some like a healthy balance of going out and school," said Raynis.



Clockwise from left, residential assistants Heidi Zommer, Michelle Day, Kelly Betts, Mitch Elgarico, and Chris Titcomb.

Photo by Kerrie Darress

"There is a need to balance all of this out so no-one in the room feels left out," Raynis added.

Roommates should talk about visitors and how often they are allowed over. When can visitors come and how long can they stay should be clearly established.

"Roommates are like a family they need to talk to each other or it's not going to work," said Raynis. "Learning to live with each other is an incredible life skill that students will carry with them throughout life."

"People who met at orientation and go along for one night, make arrangements to live together because they think they will get along all year," said Cox.

"But they usually find out you don't really know a person until you live with them," Cox added.

Apartments with multiple residents need to verbalize rules for the use of the kitchen and the bathroom.

Roommates need to discuss where everyone can put their things.

"Juniors and seniors have the same problems as many of the first year students, because these issues surface throughout all four years," said Tom Petrillo, an Avalon Gates residential assistant.

There are many psychological effects that may result in students who are not happy in their living arrangements.

Over time, their dispositions may change. They may be unhappy with their living conditions and may tend to not socialize with their roommates.

If a problem occurs between

roommates, the first step should be to try to talk it out between themselves.

If the problem can't be resolved, a residential assistant, Cathy Raynis, or Katrina Coakley, the Assistant Director of Residential Life and Housing will step in and try to resolve the matter," said Raynis.

Since the space for residential students is limited, roommates should try to communicate.

"Residential assistants are trained in active listening skills, referral skills, and mediating conflict," said Raynis.

Residential Life will only move students to new apartments as a last result.

Roommates are advised to communicate and try to make the best of their stay together.

New technology may threaten human interaction

By Keysha Whitaker
Features Editor

With the approach of the 21st century, technology continues to surpass all limitations.

"Today's advancements in technology will lead to, number one: a better future, or number two: too much government involvement," observed junior Wadner Auguste, a political science major from New York City, N.Y.

Some people may feel intimidated with advancements in technology.

Every day individuals are required to use some form of technology. Computers are a household name, e-mail, modems and fax machines, connect the ordinary American household to the superhighway of information.

Sacred Heart realizes the need for the student to be able to adequately use today's technology, and requires them to purchase a laptop computer. Automatic tellers (ATM) and fax machines are also available to the student.

Though there may be many

positive aspects to increased technology, this is an area which needs to be monitored closely.

CNN reported that the U.S. government is looking into a way to make such a society possible. They are experimenting with a computer chip identification.

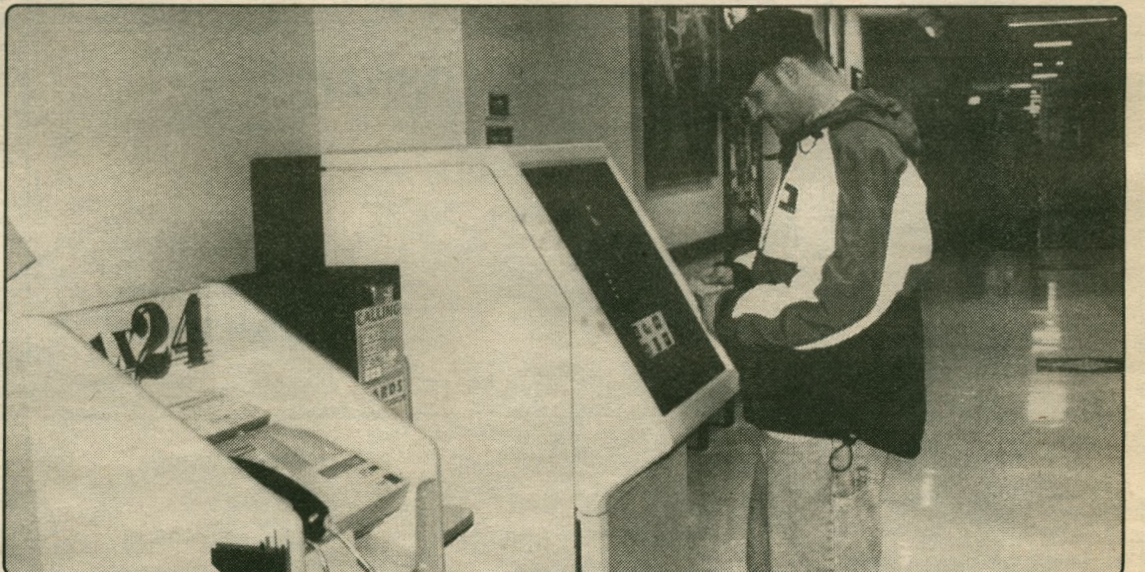
The computer chip would be encoded with a number, similar to a social security number, and serve as an ID, as well as currency. The chip would be inserted into the wrist of the individual. A prototype for the computer chip should be produced by 2020.

While America still does have currency, some banks encourage their customers to handle the green paper as little as possible.

Many banks provide their customers with ATM/debit cards. These cards allow the customer to purchase any item, and have the money electronically deducted from their account.

Many businesses also provide direct deposit. An individual's check may be forwarded to their account on their payday.

With direct deposit and the debit card, it is possible for an individual to spend an entire check without even seeing or touching



Above, Bob Kipp uses the ATM. The ATM is next to 24-hour fax machine.

Photo by Kerrie Darress

their money. It seems this fore-shadows, the approaching currency-less society.

Recently, Fleet Bank announced a new policy. Any customer of Fleet who decides to use a human teller for a transaction which could have been processed at an ATM will receive a fine.

"I don't think it's smart to get rid of all the human tellers. If the machine breaks, there is no one to fix it," said sophomore Maria DeBonis, a psychology major from

Long Island, N.Y. is familiar with these practices.

"The bank that I go to at home is not open for human tellers on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays; only for ATM transactions," DeBonis added.

Though ATM's may be convenient, the trend to push machines over humans is becoming more blatant.

Many businesses use automated phone lines. A caller is faced with a series of options when

trying to reach a representative.

There are many on-line services offered to society. People have the option of purchasing and buying on the internet, including groceries and paying bills without ever leaving their house.

Will increased technology have an adverse affect on society?

"I feel good about technology, but it is going to far when they decide to put things into people's wrists," commented Auguste.

Keeping "The Heart" Healthy

By Sara Alia and Carrie Nielen of the Student Nurses Association

Advised by Dr. Linda Strong of the Nursing Department

As you know being a college student is not an easy job. It involves being up late to study and participate in activities that promote student life and socialization. When combined with work and campus activities, nutrition and overall health can fall victim to the various demands of student life and make you more susceptible to illness. One of the most common viruses that plague the students of Sacred Heart is called Mononucleosis.

Mononucleosis, most commonly referred to as "mono" or "the kissing disease," is an illness caused by the Epstein-Barr Virus.

Mono is primarily transmitted by direct oral contact, kissing, but can also be due to a compromised immune system. The body may become too tired to and weak to fight off viruses like it should.

Mono is most frequently diagnosed in 15 to 25 year old students; this means you!

Symptoms of mono include fatigue, headache, sore throat, weakness, muscle and joint pain, and possibly skin rash. Many times the symptoms are mistaken for the flu or a cold you just can not seem to shake.

This virus can only be diagnosed by having a blood test which displays the Epstein-Barr-specific antibodies. So it is very important

that symptoms should not be ignored.

Once you learn you have this virus the only way to get better is to rest and eat properly. This usually means staying in bed for anywhere between one week to 6 months or even longer in the most severe cases. Your treatment will be determined by your doctor. Unfortunately, there are no medications or immunizations to prevent or

cure this virus.

Fear not!!! There is a way to prevent being infected by Mononucleosis.

First, get approximately 8 hours of sleep per night. Although this seems impossible, it is much better to take care of yourself now, than it is to end up in bed being sick for a long period of time. Second, try and eat as healthy as possible. Vitamin supplements are always an easy way to get your daily essential vitamins and minerals. Third, don't share utensils, cups, or straws and wash your hands frequently to avoid spreading germs.

If you think you're experiencing the symptoms associated with Mono, just remember you know yourself the best, trust your instincts and go to health services or see your doctor. Keep in mind that midterms are coming and we want to keep "the heart" healthy!



Internships are available to the criminal justice major

By Paula Jean Steiner
Contributing Writer

The internship program for the criminal justice major at SHU has grown considerably over the past ten years.

As the Chair of Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice Department, Dr. Pearl Jacobs has expanded the internship program to include police departments in Bridgeport, Norwalk, West Haven, Darien, and New Cannan.

Internships are offered in the areas of probation for adults and juveniles, alternative incarceration programs, the public defenders office and corrections department.

"When I first came to SHU the internship program had very limited opportunities for the criminal justice student," said Jacobs.

Jacobs felt the internships were an integral part of the criminal justice program and began seeking different job sites.

To qualify for an internship a student must be a junior who is majoring in criminal justice, and must obtain permission of the program director.

The intern is required to work 16 hours a week, but in return

receives six credits. Although the program has 10 positions available, there are currently only five students enrolled.

Lt. Colleen Smullen, of the West Haven Police Department, and an adjunct assistant professor at SHU, helped start the program in West Haven.

On a recent trip to view the WHPD, Jacobs had the opportunity to fire a .22 caliber sidearm.

"It made me realize that these weapons are not toys," she stated. "The size of the ammunition versus the force that it hits another human being is scary."

Students are given a two-hour seminar on gun safety and weaponry.

An available internship is at the Bridgeport Police Department Homicide Division. There the students learn how to fingerprint a suspect, accompany detectives to autopsies, if they desire, and learn about the preservation of evidence.

"The internship program gives the student the chance to realize if it is something they really want to do," said Jacobs. "Our internships are really hands-on. It gives the student a clear perspective of the criminal justice system."

The criminal justice internship program has helped many students choose their career. Jacob recalls a student who was a part of

the program.

"As part of the job she had to go to the lock-up to interview the suspect. Once there, the student realized that she could not go into the lock-up. She realized it was not for her and requested another internship. It gives the students the ability to redirect their ambitions if they do not enjoy the job."

Emily Rubin, a senior at SHU, recently completed a 190 hour internship working for a company helping a lawyer prepare for court by performing mock trials.

"The program was very enlightening and I learned a great deal from the professor," Rubin stated.

Jacobs truly enjoys her position at Sacred Heart. She is willing to help anyone who is interested in becoming a criminal justice major.

"It is not like a job, it is something that I really enjoy doing. I once had a student who I encouraged to go to law school instead of becoming a police officer. Three years later I received a thank you note from the student, who had just graduated from law school. It is really satisfying when you see a student succeed."

Any student interested may visit the Criminal Justice Department on the second floor of the Humanities Center.

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CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Filipino Coffehouse

The International Center will hold a Filipino Coffeehouse on tonight at 7:30 pm, in the Mahogany room. There will be popular Filipino dances and music. Bring your appetite.

Charasmatic Renewal

There will be a Charasmatic Renewal Service at 8 p.m. at St. Philip Church, France St. in Norwalk. the mass will be with Father John Borgo.

Bingo

Do you love to win HUGE prizes? If so, the Student Events Team Has quite an event for you. "Spencer's BINGO", will be held Thursday, October 15, at 10 p.m. in the Outpost. Come and play!

Day of Recollection

Join men throughout the Diocese for a Day of Recollection, "Taking Christ Home, Changing Our Relationships through Jesus." The workshop will be on Saturday October 10, 1998 from 9-3 p.m. at Christ the King Church, 4700 Madison Ave., Trumbull. Registration is \$15. Contact the CRS office (203) 371-4301, ext. 358/359

Compiled by Keysha Whitaker

A&E

SHU's Center is on its way to the 'Forum'

Special to the Spectrum

Ancient Rome comes to life, replete with lecherous noblemen, pompous soldiers, mischievous slaves and comely courtesans in the classic musical comedy, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," written by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart, with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, opening October 30 at The Center for the Performing Arts at Sacred Heart University.

The musical, directed by Maureen Hamill, with musical direction by Charles Wade, sets by William Stark, choreography by Michelle Marcaeu, and lighting by Frank Veres, kicks off a theatrical season of five musicals at The Center and runs through November 8.

The show, inspired by the comedies of the ancient Latin playwright Plautus, tells the story of the Roman slave Pseudolus,

who makes a deal with his young master Hero to obtain the lovely virgin Philia for him in return for his freedom.

Many obstacles stand in Pseudolus' way, not the least of which is the vain and powerful Roman soldier Miles Gloriosus, who is planning to take Philia as his wife, and the lusty old patrician Senex, who schemes to have her as his mistress.

The cast includes Jason Brill as Pseudolus, Michael Allen Gray as Hysterium, Eric Richards as Domina, Carl Schumacher as Miles Gloriosus, Pat Crossin as Erronius and Ed Donahue as Lycus.

Brill, of Cos Cob, is making his Fairfield County debut as the lead in "Forum," but has performed in several other areas.

Performances are on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. For tickets, ranging from \$10 to \$18, contact the theatre box office at 374-2777.



Contributed photo

Pictured (center), is actor Jason Brill as the Roman slave Pseudolus, enjoying the company of two courtesans (left to right) Patricia Sellerberg and Carolyn Volpe, in SHU's production of "Forum."

Too Skinny J's and Flood

The J's talk about their sound and Star Wars

By Matt Flood
Staff Writer

For all of those out there who have been living under a rock for the past couple of years, you might have missed what has become one of the most popular musical trends of the last 20 years — the blending of hip-hop with rock & roll.

While some pretty famous names (Aerosmith and Run-DMC, Puff daddy and Jimmy Page), have had mainstream hits with their first ventures into this genre, many underground acts have been the innovators in this movement for years.

One of the first bands out of the tri-state area to achieve success is NYC's Too Skinny J's. The J's have been playing around Connecticut for the last six years or so, gaining a huge following in the underground punk scene in and around New Haven.

I had an opportunity to sit down and talk with the J's bassist Eddie Eyeball and their fill-in guitarist Rob after their New Haven show this past Monday.

Flood: In the past few years there has been an explosion in the rap-rock genre with bands such as Korn, Limp Bizkit, Rage Against the Machine and Soul Coughing getting more expo-



sure, as well as the Beastie Boys getting more popular than ever. How do you feel about the sudden acceptance of a genre that you've been involved with for years?

Eddie: Yeah, it's gotten huge all of a sudden. Most people would think that the bands that are doing it now are the innovators... We've been around for a while and we're not innovators. We just built on what all the bands we saw growing up were doing. Then all of a sudden Aerosmith and Run-DMC did a song together and everyone was all like "Aerosmith?" They basically got credit for what these bands had been doing for years.

Flood: Now I've seen you guys a couple of dozen times over the years and your lineup changed almost every time I've seen you.

Eddie: At this point we have

twice as many ex-members as members... a lot of people went on to do different styles, or settle down and get married.

Flood: Any truth to the rumors about Lucas Films suing over unauthorized samples on the last record?

Eddie: Yeah, they wanted \$400,000 for the sample we used on "Irresistible Force" and that was way too much for a small band to pay. So we figured we could probably reproduce the sound.

We watched a documentary on how they did it the first time and re-manufactured it.

Flood: Lately there has been a lot of bands that have just broken into the mainstream that used to use "Star Wars" related symbolism in their music and merchandise. Why do you feel so many bands love this film?

Eddie: I've loved "Star Wars" since it was first released — if you haven't been to the Smithsonian exhibit, you really should go. "Star Wars" as a myth provides on all levels. The classic battle of Good vs. Evil, a deep insight into faith and religion... the whole trilogy was just brilliantly done.

Check out the J's new CD "Super Mercado," now available at record stores.

And the band plays on

By Tara S. Deenihan
Associate Editor

The Pioneer Marching Band marches on this year, stronger but still building.

This year's band has 38 members plus three colorguard and four baton twirlers, an increase over last year's total members. A renewed interest along with an enthusiastic group of freshmen have helped to spark the band's new growth.

Band director Marvin McNeill, in his second year at Sacred Heart, will lead the Pioneers into New York City on Monday for the Columbus Day parade. The band will wear brand new uniforms purchased this year.

"I think that the transition that Marvin has made with the marching band has been phenomenal," said Denise Sutphin, assistant dean of students.

The field show performed by the marching band at football games this year contains selections by the rock group Chicago. Drum major Karen Fallon leads the band in the tunes "Make Me Smile," "I'm a Man," "Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?" and "25 or 6 to 4."

"I think we've made a lot of progress, but we're still a very young band," said band member Bill Woodruff.

This year's band is comprised mostly of freshman. Only 5 seniors are performing this season.

Part of the band's renewed spirit comes from the Band Council, responsible for planning events and fundraising. Members also credit an increase in morale and a stronger comradery for their productivity.

"I see more community / family than ever before," said Sutphin.

The Pioneer Marching Band will perform Sunday at the Bridgeport Columbus Day parade, and Monday in New York City. The band can also be seen at home football games and pep rallies.



Contributed photo

Band members Jen Jackson, Kristen Hennessey and Sue Ostapow show their spirit at a SHU football game.

Fall in love with 'Dreams'

By Brian Corasaniti
News Editor

"What Dreams May Come" poses the question, will a person go to Hell for the woman he loves? The answer comes in the Oscar-worthy performance of Robin Williams.

Williams plays Christy, who is married to Annie, played in another moving performance by Annabella Sciorra. Christy and Annie are literally soul mates, twin beings who are meant to be together. They initially meet overseas as Annie's boat runs into Christy's. From there, love blooms.

Although both have tons of money and two wonderful children, their lives take a turn for the worse. Their two kids are killed in a car accident, which sends Annie into a mental hospital. With the help of Christy, she recovers, only to lose Christy in a car accident four years later.

From there, the film follows Christy's journey into Heaven, being guided by an angel that may not be all he seems, played by Cuba Gooding, Jr. In this version of heaven, the universe is literally your oyster. People create their own paradise as they see fit complete with whomever they want to see.

After a brief reunion with his child and family dog, Williams gets the bad news from Gooding

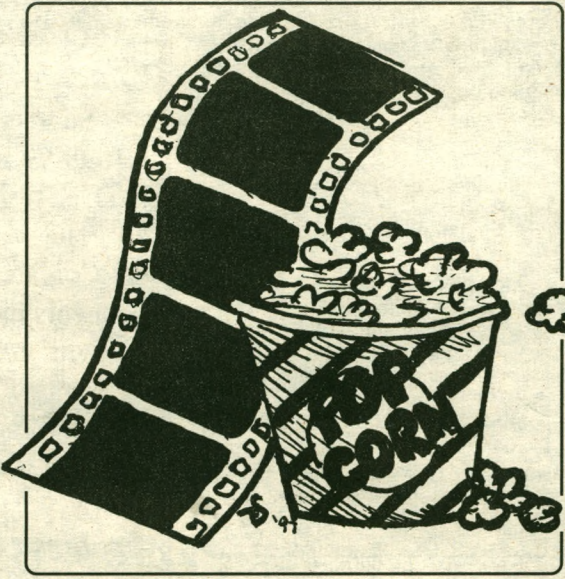
that Annie, suffering horribly on Earth, has committed suicide. The rules of this afterlife say that all suicides automatically go to Hell. This all expenses paid trip to damnation does not set well with Williams, who embarks on a quest to rescue his soul mate against the odds.

The film is being touted for its ground-breaking special effects. Granted, the film's got some good eye candy, but this movie could have been made 50 years ago and be just as good.

So, why do the special effects not matter? Well, anyone with anything resembling a heart and soul will be so moved by the love story in this movie that all the visual effects in the world won't amount to a hill of beans.

Williams and Sciorra give such convincing performances that you truly believe their characters are destined to be together, whether that be in life or death, Heaven or Hell.

Hollywood has tried and failed many times to show true love on film. Many times, the audience does not believe that



these two people can fall in love in two hours. When two actors do pull off real chemistry, it often times gets ruined by a poor script or an overabundance of sappiness.

Here, not only wasn't there a dry eye in the house, there wasn't a rolled eye at any dialogue or plot points. After the film ended, every couple was huddled together closer than a football team and even the most cynical bachelor or bachelorette was moved.

This movie tells the truth about true love. It is the most important thing any human being can aspire to obtain. It is a higher high than any drug that has or ever will be invented. And if anyone has it, they too will go to hell and back to make sure it never escapes their grasp.

A&E BRIEFS

"City of Angels" in the Schine

Free popcorn and a CD raffle, plus a great movie! Who could ask for more? S.E.T. invites students to see "City of Angels" in the Schine Auditorium starting Oct. 16. Showtimes are Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Admission is free.

Open up Jack's Box in the Outpost

Did you like Funhouse? You're gonna love "Jack's Box," a cover band coming to SHU on Oct. 21 at 10 p.m. in the Outpost. They'll play anything you want, so come dance the night away pub style. Admission is free.

Coffee, Canadian style

Join the international Center for the Canadian Coffeehouse, part of the International Coffeehouse series, on Oct. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge. Admission is \$8. For more information, call Grace Lim at 365-7614.

Calling all wrestling fans!

WWF superstar Stone Cold Steve Austin will be appearing at the Connecticut Post Mall in Milford on Oct. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. Autographed pictures start at \$10.

--Compiled by Tara S. Deenihan

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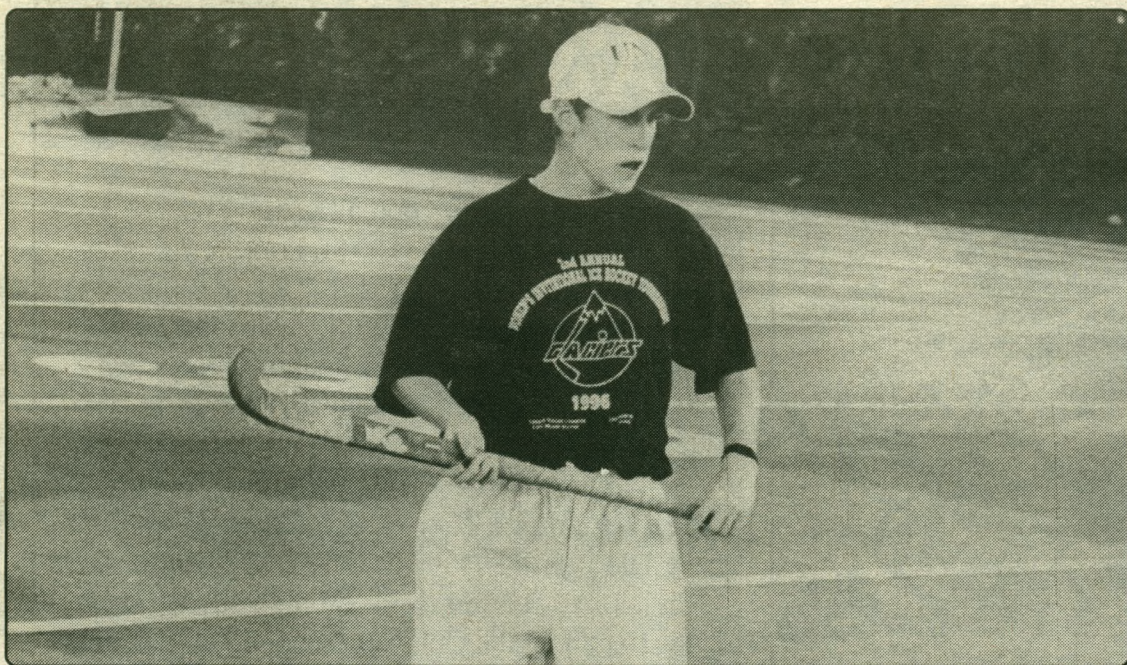
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Sophomore Lauren Wiggins leads the field hockey team in scoring with nine points this season.. Photo by Matt Duda

SHU snaps two game skid

By Christian Koskorelos
Staff Writer

The Sacred Heart field hockey team played flawlessly this weekend winning both games by the score of 1-0. The team now improves to a 4-5 (3-2 NEC) record and look confident with the remaining games at hand.

On Saturday, the lady Pioneers defeated Monmouth, snapping their two game losing streak. Sophomore Goaltender Ginny Capicchioni had a total of nine saves while Sacred Heart fired 18 shots. Junior forward Sarah Morrill scored the game's only goal with 6:50 remaining in the

game.

There was little time for SHU to rest on its laurels as the team traveled to Rider the next day. In a game which lasted over 100 min-

FIELD HOCKEY

utes, Sacred Heart's Jeanne Williams came through with a goal to send Rider packing. Once again, goalie Ginny Capicchioni earned a shutout with 13 saves capturing a total of 22 saves this past weekend.

With the few games left, the Pioneers are looking to keep up their winning and simply continue

what they are doing.

Goalie Ginny Capicchioni has been a dominant force this weekend and overall this season. Capicchioni has a combined total of 83 saves. For her efforts, the Northeast Conference named Capicchioni its player of the week. Capicchioni leads the NEC with a .835 save percentage and a 1.35 goals-against average.

Sophomore Lauren Wiggins leads the team in scoring with four goals and one assist for a total of nine points. Andrea Hubbard and Sarah Morrill each have two goals this season.

The Pioneers next face Siena at 11 a.m. on Oct. 10 at Campus Field.

Sports Schedule Oct. 8-21

THURSDAY 10/8

(W) Tennis vs. Wagner

(W) Volleyball @ N.Y. Tech, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY 10/10

Cross Country @ Fairfield Invitational, 11 a.m.

(W) Soccer @ Franklin Pierce, 12 noon

(M) Soccer @ Franklin Pierce, 2 p.m.

Field Hockey vs. Siena, 11 a.m.

(W) Tennis vs Assumption

(W) Volleyball vs Franklin Pierce/Albany/New Hampshire, 12 noon

SUNDAY 10/11

(W) Tennis vs UMass Lowell 1 p.m.

MONDAY 10/12

(W) Soccer @ Mt. St. Mary's, 12 noon

WEDNESDAY 10/14

Field Hockey @ Brown, 4 p.m.

(M) Soccer vs. Southern Conn., 3 p.m.

(W) Volleyball vs. Souther Conn., 7 p.m.

THURSDAY 10/15

(W) Soccer vs. Souther Conn., 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 10/16

Cross Country @ New England Championships, Franklin Park, Boston

(W) Volleyball @ Queens College tournament, 12 noon

SATURDAY 10/17

Football @ Robert Morris, 1 p.m.

(W) Soccer vs. Binghamton, 12 noon

(M) Soccer vs. Binghamton, 2 p.m.

(W) Tennis @ NECC Championships

(W) Volleyball @ Queens College tournament

SUNDAY 10/18

(W) Tennis @ NECC Championships

MONDAY 10/19

(W) Tennis @ NECC Championships

TUESDAY 10/20

Field Hockey @ Franklin Pierce, 4 p.m.

(W) Soccer vs. Bridgeport, 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 10/21

(M) Soccer vs Stony Brook, 3 p.m.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Women's basketball releases 1998-99 schedule

Sacred Heart's women's basketball team released its 1998-99 schedule this past week. The Pioneers face nine Division I opponents this season.

The season opens Nov. 16 at Army. Home games with Colgate and Hartford follow. Other Division I opponents include Virginia Commonwealth, Lehigh, Bucknell, and Harvard. SHU also faces Dartmouth in that team's Christmas tournament, and the winner of Hofstra-Rhode Island.

The women also play a full NECC schedule.

Aerobics classes still accepting new members

Aerobics classes are still accepting new members. Classes are held Monday-Thursday, between 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. and also on Tuesday and Friday between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. in the Pitt Center aerobics room.

Classes are free to all SHU students, faculty, and staff.

Intramural Co-ed wiffle ball looking for teams

An intramural co-ed wiffle ball league is now being formed. Teams consist of four people, two males, two females. Anyone interested should pick up an intramurals flyer and return a completed roster of name to the second floor office in the Pitt Center.

Rosters are due on Oct. 20. The captain's meeting is on Oct. 22.

Compiled by Matt Duda

Doubles play the key for Pioneers

By Jason Havelka
Staff Writer

With the women's tennis team enjoying their best season yet, the team looks to build confidence and momentum with the three remaining matches before the conference tournament.

SHU currently owns a 4-3 record in head to head matches. The Pioneers look to improve by completing two previous matches which were suspended due to rain.

The Pioneers led Assumption college 2-1 and Dowling College 4-2 when rain suspended play.

The strength of the women's tennis team so far this season has been outstanding doubles play. "Our doubles play is the strongest part of the team," said head coach Mike Guastelle. "We need some of the confidence which we play doubles with to carry over to our singles matches," added Guastelle.

The Pioneers currently have a 21-13 doubles record compared to a 24-33 singles record. Coach Guastelle looks to the last few home matches and makeups to help the team feel as comfortable playing singles as they do playing doubles.

Senior Sarah Molloy from Avon, has the best singles and doubles record on the team at 7-5 in the sixth singles position and 7-3 in the third doubles position.

"Sarah has been the steady player on the team in both singles and doubles," said coach

Guastelle.

One of the most improved players from last year is sophomore Jessica Magri from St. James, N.Y. Magri has jumped from playing fifth singles last year to second singles this year and along with junior Jen Galizia has brought the first doubles team to a 7-5 record so far.

"I feel that every time I put her out on the court, she's got a realistic chance of pulling out a win against any team," said Guastelle.

On

Thursday, Sacred Heart plays Division I Wagner College at home at 3:30. This will be a key match for the Pioneers because Wagner is a future Division I conference foe and the experience will be beneficial.

On Saturday, the Pioneers will be making up their match at 12:00 against Assumption and then finishing up their dual matches on Sunday at home against UMass Lowell at 1 p.m. The makeup against Dowling will be on Oct. 15 at 3:30.

These last few matches will determine the teams strength going into the conference tournament where SHU finished third last year, missing second place by one point.

"If the team is able to build positive momentum doing into the conference tournament, finishing first is definitely a possibility," said Guastelle.

The New England Collegiate Conference tournament takes place Oct. 17-19.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Sutton: Star DB returns to lineup for SHU

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a murderer? I thought of a lot of crazy things like that."

Because the other driver was legally drunk at the time of the crash, charges against Sutton were dropped. The man's family also was supportive of Sutton. "The other family was really good about it," he said. "They said that he was a big college football fan and that he'd be glad I'm in college."

The rehabilitation process started before Sutton left the hospital. It subjected him to six hours a day of grueling exercise. Sutton had to re-learn to do the simplest of tasks that he used to take for granted.

"I was really scared," he said. "When I took my first step it was like a newborn baby."

Sutton says the toughest part of the process began when he returned for his junior year at Sacred Heart.

"The biggest frustration was when I came back to school and had to watch the guys and I



"I didn't know what to think. Was I a murderer? I thought of a lot of crazy things like that."

-Lester Sutton

couldn't be out there," he said of his teammates.

The 1997 season passed Sutton by as he concentrated on strengthening his body. He also became a Resident Advisor and turned more focus to his academics. Sutton hopes to take after his mother and become a nurse after graduation.

This season, Sutton returned to his position as a starting defensive back and also became a team captain. Tom Radulski, SHU's head coach, says that Sutton is one of the best defensive backs the Northeast Conference has this season.

Sutton says that he expresses his leadership through his style of play. "I lead by example," he said. "I'm not vocal. I make plays and try to keep calm."

Senior co-captain Greg Nota says that Sutton's play is a huge advantage for the defense. "He's a guy that everybody feeds off of," he said. "He's one of, if not the hardest hitter on the team. He brings everyone up."

SHU Scoreboard

* Bold scores indicate victories

Football
SHU, **10** St. Francis, 7

(W) Volleyball
SHU, **3** Molloy, 1
SHU, **3** SCSU, 0
SHU, 0 **New Haven, 3**
SHU, 2 **Albany, 3**

Field Hockey
SHU, **1** Monmouth, 0
SHU, **1** Rider, 0

(W) Tennis
SHU, **3** Merrimack, 6

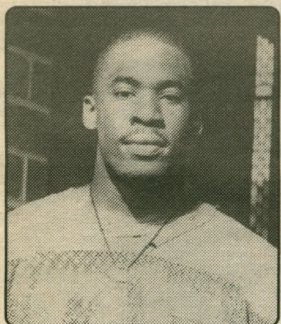
(W) Soccer
SHU, 0 **New Haven, 1**

SHU STARS



Tricia Moore
Women's Volleyball

The junior hitter from Lindenhurst, N.Y. leads the team with 143 kills this season. She set a new school record for kills in a single game with 28 against Molloy



Brandon Graham
Football

A freshman from Waterbury, Graham led the Pioneer rushing attack with 112 yards on 29 carries and a touchdown in a 10-7 win over St. Francis of Pennsylvania

Madness descends on SHU

By Matt Duda
Sports Editor

Midnight Madness returns to the Sacred Heart University campus on Oct. 16 at the Pitt Center.

The event celebrates the first day that the NCAA allows men's and women's basketball teams to practice. Midnight Madness is a tradition at SHU and at other colleges around the country.

Midnight Madness begins at

11 p.m. and continues until 1 a.m. Games, giveaways, prizes, and a basketball tournament are scheduled. Concessions will also be provided.

Prizes include \$100 Dining Dollars, airline tickets, and gift certificates. Every student receives a raffle ticket at the door.

A DJ will provide music for the night, and SHU's cheerleaders, dance team, and band will provide more entertainment.

Student Events Team Presi

dent Mike Dutton has been working with Student Activities and the basketball teams in coordinating the event.

Dutton said that last year's Midnight Madness attracted 600 people. Approximately 1,000 are expected this year.

Midnight Madness kicks off what should be an exciting year for SHU's basketball teams. The men and women each play nine Division I opponents



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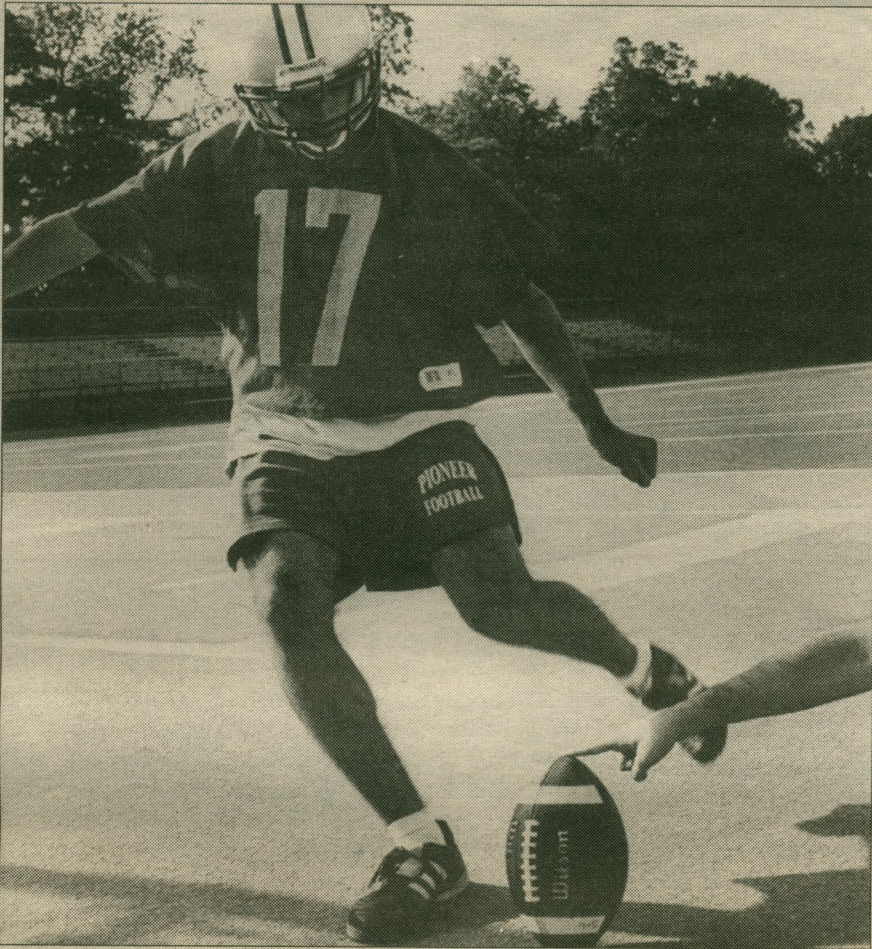
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SPORTS

SHU star returns from
devastating crash

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Monaco's boot kicks away SHU losing streak



Lou Monaco kicked the game winning field goal in a 10-7 win last Saturday against St. Francis.

By Matt Duda
Sports Editor

A 28-yard field goal by senior kicker Lou Monaco with four seconds left in the game propelled Sacred Heart's football team to a 10-7 win over host St. Francis of Pennsylvania last Saturday.

It was the first win of the season for the 1-4 Pioneers. It also snapped a 12-game losing streak dating back to last September.

"It was a great feeling," freshman running back Brandon Graham said about the win.

"Give credit to the offensive line for their persistence and consistency in working hard day in and day out at practice."

The offensive line helped SHU rack up a season high 348 yards of total offense. Graham led the rushing attack with 112 yards on 29 carries, including a three yard touchdown run in the first half that knotted the score at seven.

Senior quarterback Steve Ladd mustered the best performance by a SHU QB this season. Ladd went 17-29 passing for 170 yards. Chris Wilkinson led the receiving corps with nine catches

for 104 yards.

Freshman running back Kiheme Cowan produced 127 all purpose yards, including 57 yards rushing on 10 carries.

With the score tied at seven with :20 left in the game, Ladd fumbled and St. Francis recovered on their own 13 yard line.

The Red Flash fumbled possession on the very next play to give the Pioneers one last shot at a win.

After an eight yard run by Graham, SHU called a timeout and sent Monaco in for the game winner.

SHU head coach Tom Radulski says he didn't hesitate to send Monaco in, even though the Red Flash blocked two previous field goal attempts.

"I had total confidence in Lou," he said. "I wasn't concerned at all."

Monaco said he wasn't thinking about the two previous attempts. "Each kick is its own thing," he said. "If I miss I have to put it behind me."

Monaco said that the real heroes that day were his teammates. "Give credit to the guys that are in the game 80-90 plays and not to the guy that's in for three plays."

FOOTBALL

Moore sets mark at SCSU tourney

By Adam Lagnese
Staff Writer

The Sacred Heart women's volleyball team split in the Southern Connecticut State Tournament over the weekend. SHU beat Molloy and SCSU 3-1 and 3-0, respectively, but lost 0-3 and 2-3 to New Haven and Albany.

"We're not peaking," said Head Coach Scott Carter, "but we are playing well. We were playing matches on the major aspects of the game. Now, we use

the minor aspects and minor strategic points of the game. The team is also using a variety of tactics rather than the same ones."

Outstanding performances came from the hitter/setter combination of Tricia Moore from Lindenhurst, N.Y. and Katie Sammon from Bellmore, N.Y. Moore, who leads the team with 143 kills, broke the school record for kills in a match with 28 against Molloy.

"The whole team is starting to click," said Moore.

Sammon totaled 153 assists for the tournament bringing up her team lead and season total to 287. According to Carter,

Sammon is the quarterback of the team. She makes the play calls and runs the offense.

"We did really well," said Sammon. "Everybody seemed to be 'on' at the same time."

Despite being 0-7 against Division I teams, Carter is not that disappointed.

"We're looking for consistency in our passing," said Carter. "That is the key to the game. When we pass the ball well, we can play with anyone. The offense is new, fast, efficient. If we are not passing, then there will be errors."

Sophomore hitter Noreen Hillin from Massapequa Park, N.Y. says that the team is working really hard and starting to mesh.

"We're playing better than we ever have," said Hillin. "Tricia is playing well and Katie has been very consistent for us."

SHU is 3-1 against Division II opponents this season and their next few matches are against Division I teams. Team morale is up as they expect to turn its season around.

"Our winning streak will start because we're playing our conference opponents," said Moore. "I feel we will be unstoppable from here."

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Star DB returns from crash

By Matt Duda
Sports Editor

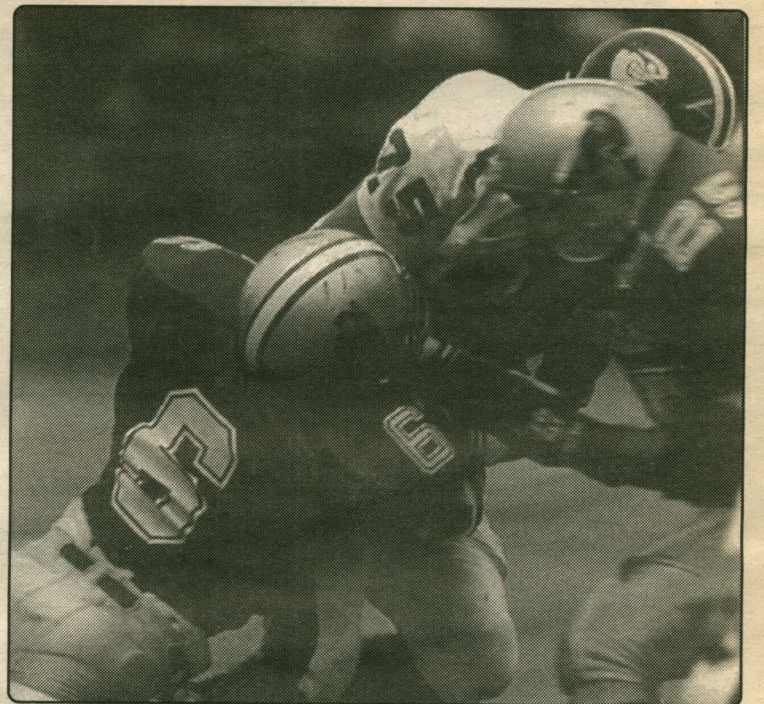
It looked as though the receiver had an easy touchdown coming his way. At the snap, he sprinted ten yards into the end zone and quickly turned to receive the pass. He opened his hands and prepared to trap the ball when a body slammed into him from behind, knocking down the pass and the chance to score.

The defensive back picked himself up off the turf and rejoined the huddle. Just another typical play for any defensive back, but not just another typical play for Lester Sutton. Just one year ago, it looked as if the 5'9" 180 lb senior would never step onto the football field again.

On June 1, 1997, Sutton was on his way home from a 13 hour shift at work. Police say that he fell asleep at the wheel of his 1976 Chevy Impala, crossed the center line, and smashed into an oncoming car head-on at 60 miles per hour.

The accident left Sutton unconscious for six hours. During that time, his father, Lester Sr., waited anxiously by his bedside. "I don't remember too much about it," said the younger Sutton. "I just remember waking up in the hospital and seeing my dad."

At first it wasn't his injuries that scared him, it was that image of his father sitting next to him.



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#6 Lester Sutton recovered from an accident to play again at SHU

"The thing that scared me the most was that my dad was in the military for 20 years and I've never seen him cry," he said. "When I woke up and saw him crying, that scared me. I wondered what was wrong with me."

It took a week before Sutton returned home from the hospital. During that time he was left to endure the pain of severe injuries to his left side, including a dislocated hip, a broken leg, and two broken bones in his arm. He also had to deal with the torture of not knowing what happened to put

him in that condition. It would be another week before police showed up at his Springfield, Mass. home to let him know.

The police told him the details of the accident. Sutton listened in disbelief as officers told him the driver of the other car, a 55 year old man, had died.

"I cried," Sutton said. "I didn't know what to think. Was I

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